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MEDIA ADVISORY

**Commerce Director Anthony Preite to Present \$750,000 to
City of Fort Benton**

(HELENA) – Montana Department of Commerce Director Anthony Preite will present \$750,000 in funding to the city of Fort Benton for a storm water project on **Thursday, August 23, at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall.**

The \$750,000 in funding from the Treasure State Endowment Program will be used to install new storm drain piping. This piping will replace existing piping connected to the city wastewater system, in violation of Montana Department of Environmental Quality standards.

“Funding critical water projects is essential for the economic stability of our communities and the health and wellbeing of our neighbors,” said Governor Brian Schweitzer. “I am proud this new funding will significantly improve Fort Benton’s water system.”

Currently the city’s storm water drains into its wastewater system, creating a considerable burden on the wastewater system. This causes wastewater to back up into homes and storm water to collect on the streets. The project will eliminate wastewater backup and standing water problems.

WHO: Commerce Director Anthony Preite

WHAT: Present \$750,000 to City Officials

WHEN: Thursday, August 23 @ 1:00 PM

WHERE: City Hall, Fort Benton

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